

## CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

PEOPLE FLOCKING TO  
CITY DAILY.

Business Houses Are  
Crowded.

GLOBE REPRESENTATIVE INTER-  
VIEWS MERCHANTS—ALL PRE-  
DICT BIG SALES FOR HOLIDAYS  
—BUYERS FROM MANY NEAR-  
BY TOWNS—EVERYBODY TRY-  
ING TO PURCHASE EARLY—  
GREAT CREATIONS IN DIS-  
PLAYS—THEY ONLY HINT AT  
WHAT IS ON INSIDE — NASH-  
VILLE'S LEADING MERCHANTS  
READY TO SERVE THE PEOPLE.

Do your Christmas shopping early and avoid the rush. The early buyers get the cream and the pick of the varied holiday assortment now so lavishly displayed in the Nashville trade emporiums. To say that Nashville is a trade center would be putting it mildly. The city "offers opportunity" in all lines of trade. Never before in its history has Nashville enjoyed such a phenomenal trade. Every merchant you run across is beaming with smiles. The stores are crowded and the streets are thronged with early Christmas shoppers. People from nearby towns are coming in on every train in order to get the benefit of Nashville's splendid market. The big stores are fairly alive with eager buyers. Everything points to the most remarkable season ever enjoyed by the merchants of the city. The Globe representative was told by one of Nashville's big merchants that the colored people, too, seemed to have their share of this world's goods, and that their trade was much sought after, as most of them always had the ready cash. This, he said, was especially true of the Negro farmer who is now considered an important factor.

A visit to any of the business establishments will convince one of the rapid strides the city is making along commercial lines. This holiday trade is certainly an eye-opener and a record breaker. All past records have been completely smashed. Nashville is just simply getting there in a hurry. The crowds on the streets and in the stores get larger as the holidays approach. We would advise all housewives to make their Christmas purchases now as it will not pay to delay in the matter. If you wait too long you will be subjected to much worry and discomfort by the immense throng that is sure to be in evidence just previous to Christmas. If shopping is done now you have the choice of the splendid assortment that is now on the counters for your inspection.

To the men, we would advise that if you wish to make your wife or sweetheart a present Christmas you had better hurry, as the better grades will be gobbled up by out-of-town buyers before the holidays. Our advice to all is to go and do your Christmas shopping today, as delays are always to your disadvantage.

The H. G. Hill Grocery and Baking Company operates 26 stores which are full of good things to eat. We would suggest that in placing your order for your Christmas fruits, candies, etc., that you drop in one of Hill's stores and inspect the tempting good things that they offer. If you are going to have a big dining or any kind of social function you can not afford to miss going to Hill's.

Cain Sloan Company, the Timothy Dry Goods Store are live wires. The holiday offerings are the best ever shown in this city, the ladies are enraptured by the latest showings, their broadcloths, silks, satins, mull and flannels are just splendid. Their ladies' ready to wear tailor made garments are veritable dreams of loveliness. Their show windows give one but a faint idea of the immensity of these institutions. The floor manager at Cain-Sloan Company assured the Globe man that they had the largest and finest stock of goods ever in their mercantile existence. Mr. Oliver

## A Word to Globe Readers.

This is the time to do your Christmas shopping.

You want to get the worth of your money  
when you make a purchase.

You also want to trade where you will be  
shown choice up-to-date goods.

The merchants who have placed their ads in  
this Big Holiday Special are prepared to fill  
the bill.

Consult the Big Holiday Edition before you  
do your buying—it is worth while.

Timothy of the Timothy Dry Goods Company is proud of the fine showing his place has made this season. The counters and shelves are full of the finest goods obtainable.

Phillips and Buttorff are offering many rare bargains in hollow ware and china. Old Santa Claus is there in person, in fact his headquarters are on the second floor. Toyland is right here. One can get anything in that line desired. The business of this firm is great.

Hirshberg Brothers Ready-to-wear for men, boys, and ladies offer you an opportunity which you should grasp to possess yourself of one of their fine suits. They handle only the best makes, but their prices are in the reach of all. They are well pleased with their holiday trade.

Kuhn Cooper and Geary Ellis Shoe Company, and The Maxwell House Shoe Company have everything you want in foot wear. They handle the better grades and you would do well to see their goods before making purchase.

Lowenstein Brothers has everything in the gent's furnishing line. They sell the famous three dollar pants and two dollar hats. They also handle a fine assortment of underwear, shoes, etc.; they are doing a big business.

If its jewelry you want our advice to you is to go to the old reliable B. H. Stief Company. They have everything. Cut glass, fine umbrellas, diamond rings, etc., they are great.

TO ELIMINATE FOOL GRADUATE.  
Plan of Kansas Educational Commission.

By Associated Press.

Topeka, Kans., December 14.—The elimination of the "fool graduate" is the plan of the Kansas Educational Commission which is holding a session here. The commission has instituted an educational survey of the state and is finding out all about cost and efficiency in schools of all classes.

The phrase "fool graduates" is far too popular to be without some basis," said Wm. Allen White, of Emporia, editor and member of the commission,

yesterday. "There is a profound feeling throughout America, and especially in Kansas, that lots of the stuff taken on by the child and youth in the guise of education is what lawyers call incompetent, irrelevant and immaterial and not the best of education."

"We are getting information to show whether it pays to give the ordinary boy or girl, who becomes a business man or a mechanic or a mother, a course in higher mathematics and algebra and the geography of Kamchatka, and to neglect to educate them in the knowledge of trees, grasses and crops, and to know the names of the creeks of his township."

AFRICAN METHODISTS TO HAVE  
BIG PUBLISHING PLANT IN  
NASHVILLE.

Mr. Ira T. Bryant, Secretary of the A. M. E. Church Sunday-School Publishing house has just returned from Alabama, where he has been attending the Annual Conferences. Mr. Bryant is the champion of a scheme to consolidate the printing of the A. M. E. Church the same as is done by the white Methodists, with branch houses in the east and west. He presented his plan to the Alabama Conferences, four in number, and from all indications the proposition was well received. What was true in the Alabama Conferences seems to be the general opinion. The leading men throughout the connection are favorable toward any plan that will facilitate the affairs of the church, and Mr. Bryant, in his clear cut and plain spoken manner convinces the most pessimistic that his plan is no pipe dream.

If the plan goes, and every indication points in that direction, Nashville will be a big gainer. The printing of the African Methodist Church would swell that feature of Nashville industries to much greater proportions and would give employment to many more young Negro men and women. At present the printing of the connection is scattered all over the country, but the house here has the only plant that amounts to any-

thing, and this fact enhances Nashville's chance to get the central plant, which will be the most important.

Another matter that took tangible shape was the selection of Alabama's choice in the person of Dr. Allen, the venerable editor of the Southern Christian, who will be supported for bishop. This move on the part of the Alabama delegates opens the way for Dr. J. A. Jones, of Tennessee, for editor to succeed Dr. Allen. Dr. Jones is at present president of Turner Normal College at Shelbyville. He is a native son of Nashville and his friends are pulling for him. Dr. Jones is a forceful write and would, it is believed, make great success as editor of one of the papers in his church. If elected he would in all probability move the headquarters to Nashville.

WOULD PUT STOP TO THE  
LYNCHING.

Pittsburgh, Penn., December 14.—Declaring that more than fifty lives had been sacrificed within the past six months, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in session here yesterday adopted resolutions calling on Christian churches to put an end to the practice and to protest vigorously against all forms of mob violence. The resolutions commanded the press North and South for "its brave and fearless attack upon lynchings."

GOVERNMENT TO PROHIBIT IM-  
PORTATION OF ABSINTHE  
AFTER JANUARY 1.

Washington, December 14.—Declaring absinthe dangerous to health the Pure Food Board of the Department of Agriculture decided that its importation into the United States should be prohibited after January 1, next. The order awaits the signature of the Secretary of Agriculture before becoming effective.

"It is well recognized in all countries that have had experience therewith," says the decision, "that the use of the beverage known as absinthe is dangerous to health."

Dr. Wiley, head of the Chemistry Board, declared "absinthe one of the

## FISK HELPING THE BOYS

"SONG AND STORY"  
CLUB ORGANIZED

Prof. John W. Work  
General Director.

BOYS IN RADIUS OF HALF  
MILE MEMBERS—FACULTY OF  
UNIVERSITY THROWS OPEN  
THE DOORS TO THE BOYS—  
HAVE THEIR OWN OFFICERS  
AND CONDUCT THE R AFFAIRS  
—PRESIDENT GATES AND OTH-  
ERS HAVE ADDRESSED THE  
MEETING—BEST SUBJECTS DIS-  
CUSSED—BIG TIME PLANNED  
FOR THE HOLIDAYS—CODE TO  
DATE.

There has been recently organized at Fisk University a boys' club under the direction of Prof. J. W. Work. The organization goes under the title of "The Song and Story Club" and meets every Friday afternoon at 4:30 at Prof. Work's home, the Training School or in Livingstone Hall. The faculty of Fisk University has arranged for the use of one of the university rooms as a permanent home for the club. Up to date, the membership has reached forty-six and is composed of a number of as interesting youngsters as could be found anywhere, and these come from a radius of a half mile of Fisk University.

They have their own officers and transact their business in ways both interesting and original. Elmer Stevens is president, John Work, Jr., vice president, Leftridge, secretary, and Lenier Crosthwait, assistant secretary. Dixie Douglass is chief peace officer. At each meeting some speaker or singer entertains the club, among whom are Prof. T. W. Talley, President G. A. Gates, Rev. S. L. Howard, Rev. R. T. Weatherly, Mr. J. C. Olden, Mrs. H. A. Cameron and Miss Bessie Green. Prof. G. E. Haynes has addressed the club twice and has lent valuable aid to Prof. Work in the conduct of affairs.

The plan laid out for the organization is that the story of some good man's life be told at each meeting, or that some inspiring songs be sung and explained by those well-prepared to do so, which will be an inspiration to the boys, that opportunity be given for the different games in their seasons, foot ball, track athletics, base ball, etc., under competent supervision, and that there shall be a camping trip sometimes during the summer season.

Friday night before Christmas the club is to have a possum supper and sometime during the winter there is to be a concert in one of the churches. The code of the organization as far as has been worked out is:

Be Kind,  
Be Brave,  
Be Good,  
Be Truthful,  
Be Clean.

FIRE AT FISK UNIVERSITY.

About 5:45 Thursday night the people in the vicinity of Fisk University were startled by a sudden illumination. Upon investigation it developed that the large barn just below Eighteenth avenue was afire. A large crowd soon gathered. No dwellings were in eminent danger, so all attention was turned to the stock in the barn. Before a fire engine of any kind arrived the fire had done its work, and all that could be done was to put out the smoldering flames.

worst enemies of man; and if we keep the people of the United States from being slaves to this demon, we will do it."

Belgium and Switzerland have forbidden the manufacture of absinthe, and France has instituted rigid regulations over its manufacture and sale.

The decision has been sent out in tentative form to importers and others interested and suggestions from them will be wanted before the Secretary of Agriculture makes the final decision.